Sand files, the vector of Kala-Azar, are susceptible to DDT and other insecticides.

(b) and (c) Yes, the Antegrated bio-environmental strategy for control of vectors has been developed by the Malaria Research Centre of the Indian Council of Medical Research.

In this strategy biological control and environmental management methods are used to control mosquito brooding. The strategy is in operation at 12 sites in the country viz., Haldwani, Nainital, Allahabad and Shahjahanpur (U.P.) Khoda in (Gujarat), Delhi, Madras (Tamil Nadu), Mandla in (M.P.), Sonapur in (Assam), Rourkela (Orissa), Car Nicobar (A. & N. Islands) and Panjim (Goa). In certain areas e.e. Sonapur PHC (Assam) which is water logged, flood prone and high rainfall area, insecticide impregnated bed nets are used.

(d) No.

दिल्ली के अस्पतालों की हालत सुधारने के लिये कदम

682. **डा० रत्नाकर पाण्डेय :** क्या **स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या दिल्ली के सरकारी अस्पतालों मेंसुधार लाने के लिए किसी प्रस्ताव पर सरकार विचार कर रही है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ?

ऊर्जा मंत्री साथ में नागर विमानन मंत्रालय का अतिरिक्त प्रभार (श्री आरिफ मोहम्मद खान) : (क) और (ख) केन्द्रीय सरकार दिल्ली में 3 अस्पतालों नामत: सफदरजंग अस्पताल, डा० राम मनोहर लोहिया अस्पताल और लेडी हार्डिंग मेडिकल कालेज एवं अस्पतालों का प्रबंध चला रही है । अखिल भारतीय आयुर्विज्ञान संस्थान, जो एक स्वायत्त संस्था है, भी एक बड़े अस्पताल का रख-रखाव कर रहा है। अतिरिक्त भवन, उपकरणों और स्टाफ के लिए धन की व्यवस्था की जा रही है। कुछ मुख्य प्रस्तावों में सफदरजंग अस्पताल में नए बहिरंग रोगी विभाग परिसर की स्थापना करना, कैट-स्कैन और अल्ट्रासाऊंड उपकरण की सप्लाई करना शामिल है। डा० राम मनोहर लोहिया अस्पताल में कार्डियोलाजी विभाग को अत्याधिक नैदानिक उपकरण लगाकर सुदृढ किया जा रहा है । लेडी हार्डिंग मेडिकल कालेज और सम्बद्ध अस्पतालों में नए दुर्घटना/आपाती सेवा एवं पुरुष वार्ड ब्लाक और आपरेशन थियेटर ब्लाक संख्या 2 का निर्माण करने का प्रस्ताव है ।

Legislation to regulate running of Nursing Homes

683. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the existing legislation regulating the opening of Nursing Homes in Delhi is absolete with the result that Nursing Homes are mushrooming in the Capital;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to bring forward a fresh legislation in this regard; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and by when such a legislation is likely to be introduced in Parliament ?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN) : (a) to (c). The regulation of Nursing Homes in Delhi is governed by Delhi Nursing Homes Registration Act, 1953. According to information furnished by Delhi Administration, the amendments are under consideration.

Role of Khadi and Village Industries Commission for betterment of rural economy

684. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have recently made any assessment of the working of

the Khadi and Village Industries Commission and its role in generating employment, especially to those belonging to the weaker sections in the rural sector;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) how far the Commission has been effective in the matter of rural industrialisation, betterment of rural economy and in developing marketing strategy to push up sales of products of the rural industries; and

(d) what measures have been taken/proposed to be taken by Government to remove the shortcoming, if any ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH) : (a) and (b). The working of Khadi and Village Industries Commission and its role in generating employment especially to those belonging to the weaker sections in the rural sector is reviewed from time to time as a part of normal programmes and annual action plan programmes. Over the years, the main thrust of KVI activities has been to provide larger share of employment to SCs|STs and women which is increasing continuously. At present SC|ST comprises nearly 30 per cent of the workers and women constitutes nearly 46 per cent.

(c) KVIC's contribution to the rural industrialisation can be assessed from the fact that today KVI activities cover almost 2.1 lakh villages in the country through 28 State KVI Boards, 11,935 registered institutions, 25,921 cooperatives 5,42,198 individuals, 170 departmental units and 13,000 sale outlets. KVIC provides employment to about 42.87 lakh persons. KVIC has infrastructure of about 30 training centres upto the year 1988-89. It has marketing infrastructure besides 10 departmental Bhavans. For the promotion of sales, KVIC have taken steps to set up new Bhavans in the cities and for introduction of mobile vans. It has also established a number of research and development centres throughout the country. As a result of these efforts, the output of KVI sector has reached a figure of worth Rs. 1678 crores.

(d) The following steps have been taken by KVIC to further increase the benefit of KVI programmes to SC|ST artisans:—

(i) KVIC is taking up special programmes in selected districts of the country where population of SCs|STs is sizeable;

(ii) KVIC is proposing to keep apart certain portion of allocation for SC|STs in KVIC's overall budget;

(iii) Maintenance of separate plans specially suited to these communities.

(iv) KVIC loan rules provide liberalised patterns of assistance for the people of tribal areas for setting up khadi and village industries. Under this 75 per cent assistance is given as grant and 25 per cent as loan.

Mobile cash collection centres of DESU

685. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that DESU has issued several consumers service bulletins from time to time;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether DESU has opened any mobile cash collection centres;

(d) if so, which are the places where this facility is available;

(e) whether DESU proposes to set up more mobile cash collection centres this year and also during 1991 to provide facilities to consumers;

(f) whether DESU also proposes to allow its consumers to make payments at any of the its cash collection centres; and

(g) if so, what are the details thereof?